

**REMARKS**

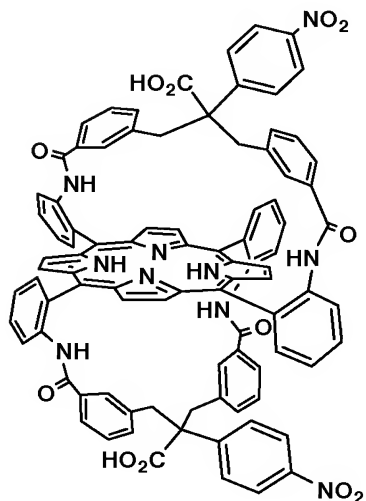
Favorable action on the merits is solicited in view of the foregoing amendments and the following remarks.

The Office communication considers the reply filed on July 29, 2009 to be not fully responsive. The Office requires Applicants to elect a single disclosed species of formula (Ic) for examination.

In response, Applicants provisionally elect the following species, with traverse:

$\alpha\beta\alpha\beta$  series with grafted handles on meso positions 5,15 on one hand and 10,20 on the other hand,

with Z =  $-\text{CO}_2\text{H}$  and W = p-nitrophenyl.



The grounds for traversal are of record in the response filed July 29, 2009.

Applicants request favorable action on the merits.

Should there be any matters that need to be resolved in the present application the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 25-0120 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17.

Respectfully submitted,

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